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Suggested Revision of Last Paragraph of Proposed CIG Reply
to the Bureau of the Budget (CIG 2)

"In order to avoid uncertainties as to the effect of the proposed Executive Order, the NIA recommends the following modifications:

a. Delete the phrase '.....including Title I of the First War Powers Act, 1941 (55 Stat 838).' This phrase is not considered necessary and it appears to imply that some further action may be required upon the expiration of the First War Powers Act. The proposed Executive Order should contain no implication that NIA is a temporary organization.

b. Amend the introductory sentence of Section I to read as follows:

'The Secretary of State, the Secretary of War, and the Secretary of the Navy shall comply with the following directive issued to them by me on January 22, 1946, in the operation of the intelligence activities of their departments:' The wording of the text as proposed by the Acting Attorney General might imply that the Executive Order is the sole authority for the departmental intelligence activities.

c. Amend Section II to read as follows:

'To the extent consistent with law and presidential directives, all Federal Agencies of the Executive Branch are hereby directed to take all steps necessary to assure cooperation in the coordination of foreign intelligence activities of the

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United States to effectuate fully the purposes of the above-quoted directive and to comply with the provisions of paragraph 8 thereof.¹ In addition to a general direction to cooperate, the Executive Order should contain a specific direction to comply with paragraph 8, which was intended to govern the activities of departments and agencies other than the State, War and Navy Departments."

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